REMARKS

Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections of the application are

respectfully requested in view of the amendments and remarks herewith, which place the

application into condition for allowance. The present amendment is being made to facilitate

prosecution of the application.

Claims 1-26 are pending in this application. Claims 1, 8, 15 and 21, which are

independent, have been amended. Changes to claims are not made for the purpose of

patentability within the meaning of 35 U.S.C. §101, §102, or §103. Rather, these changes are

made simply for clarification and to round out the scope of protection to which Applicants are

entitled.

Please charge any additional fees that may be needed, and credit any

overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 50-0320.

In view of the foregoing amendments it is believed that all of the claims in this

application are patentable and Applicants respectfully request early passage to issue of the

present application.

Respectfully submitted,

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